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**Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554**

RE: RM-10869

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am submitting short comments on proposal RM-10869, a petition filed by Ronald D. Lowrance, K4SX. I urge you to disregard this petition in its entirety. Mr. Lowrance seeks to raise the Morse Code requirement back to 13 WPM for Extra class licensees. I feel that the Morse Code requirement should be dropped for all classes. Although a reliable form of communication and one that I use myself, raising the requirement back to 13 WPM for Extra classes is, simply put, ridiculous, and will create more administrative headaches for the FCC, the NCVEC and for amateur radio in general.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

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